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SUBJECT: LABOR DEVELOPMENTS

REF: TEGUCIGALPA 1788

1. THE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE PORT AUTHORITY AND ITS UNION, SITRAENP, DESCRIBED REFTEL HAS BEEN RESOLVED SHORT OF A STRIKE BY PERSONAL INTERVENTION OF LABMIN FONSECA. THE DISPUTE WILL BE ARBITRATED.

2. AT PUERTO CORTES MAY DAY CELEBRATION THE PRESIDENT OF THE TEXACO REFINERY WORKERS' UNION PRESENTED THE COMPANY WITH AN ULTIMATUM TO RESOLVE THEIR DISPUTE IN TEN DAYS OR FACE A STRIKE. THE UNION, SITRAREFTEXSA, CLAIMS THAT COMPANY HAS UNDERPAID FOR HOLIDAYS, NOT COLLECTED DUES REQUIRED BY DECREE 30 (AGENCY SHOP) AND HAS FAILED TO FULFILL ON EARLIER PROMISE FOR RAISES. THE DISPUTE HAS ALREADY PASSED THROUGH LABOR MINISTRY MEDIATION AND CONCILLATION AND, WITH THE REFINERY BEING DEFINED AS A PUBLIC SERVICE, IT SHOULD PROCEED TO ARBITRATION. THE UNION FEARS THAT THE COMPANY WOULD BRIBE THE ARBITRATOR AND PREFERES TO GET ITS WAY THROUGH A STRIKE

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THREAT.

3. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY SEVERAL SOURCES THAT THE NEW EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ELECTED BY SITRABANAFOM, THE UNION OF BANCO DE FOMENTO, ON APRIL 26 IS "COMMUNISTIC." SITRABANAFOM PRESIDENT ANDASA HAD EXPRESSED TO LABOFF HIS INTENTION TO NOT RUN FOR REELECTION AND A FEAR THAT THE DEMOCRATIC FORCES WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO WIN THE UPCOMING ELECTION. THE LOSS OF SITRABANAFOM, THE STRONGEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE OF THE "DEMOCRATIC" FECESTITLIH UNIONS TO THE OTHER SIDE IN THE CONTINUOUS STRUGGLE IN FECESTITLIH SEEMS TO PULL THE POLITICAL BASE FROM FECESTITLIH PRESIDENT GUSTAVO ZELAYA WHO COMES FROM THE UNION.

4. THE NEW EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF SITRABANAFOM IS AS FOLLOWS:

PRESIDENT	MIGUEL ANGEL AREVALO
VICE PRESIDENT	REYNALDO MUNOZ
SECRETARY GENERAL	ORLANDO ERNESTO MENDOZA
RECORDING SECRETARY	ALEIDA DE MARTINEZ
SECRETARY OF ORGANIZATION	CECILIA MARTINEZ
PUBLICITY SECRETARY	CESAR MATUTE
TREASURER	JULIO CESAR DUENAS
GRIEVANCE SECRETARY	MARIO ROLANDO ELVIR.
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